

UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM

TALMADGE - PROJECT BLOCK 3EE

March 2011



WELCOME TO THE UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING E-NEWS #13

This is the thirteenth e-news update to inform you of the progress of the Utilities Undergrounding Program in the Talmadge/3EE Project Block area. Approximately once a month during construction, or when significant events occur, you will receive an e-mail update.

UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The City of San Diego has been undergrounding utility lines since 1970. Approximately 1,200 miles of overhead utility lines remain to be undergrounded. The City, in cooperation with SDG&E, Cox Communications and AT&T, is currently undergrounding the utility lines in your community.

CURRENT PROJECT BLOCK 3EE CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

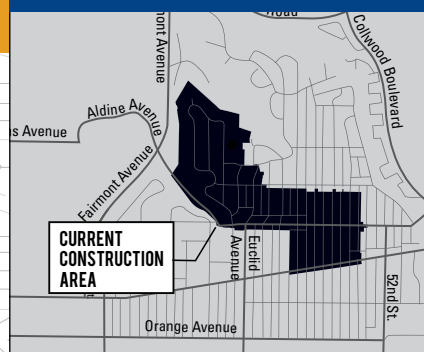
- Cut over work is ongoing and is estimated to be completed by April 2011.

PROJECT BLOCK 3EE DECORATIVE ACORN LIGHTS

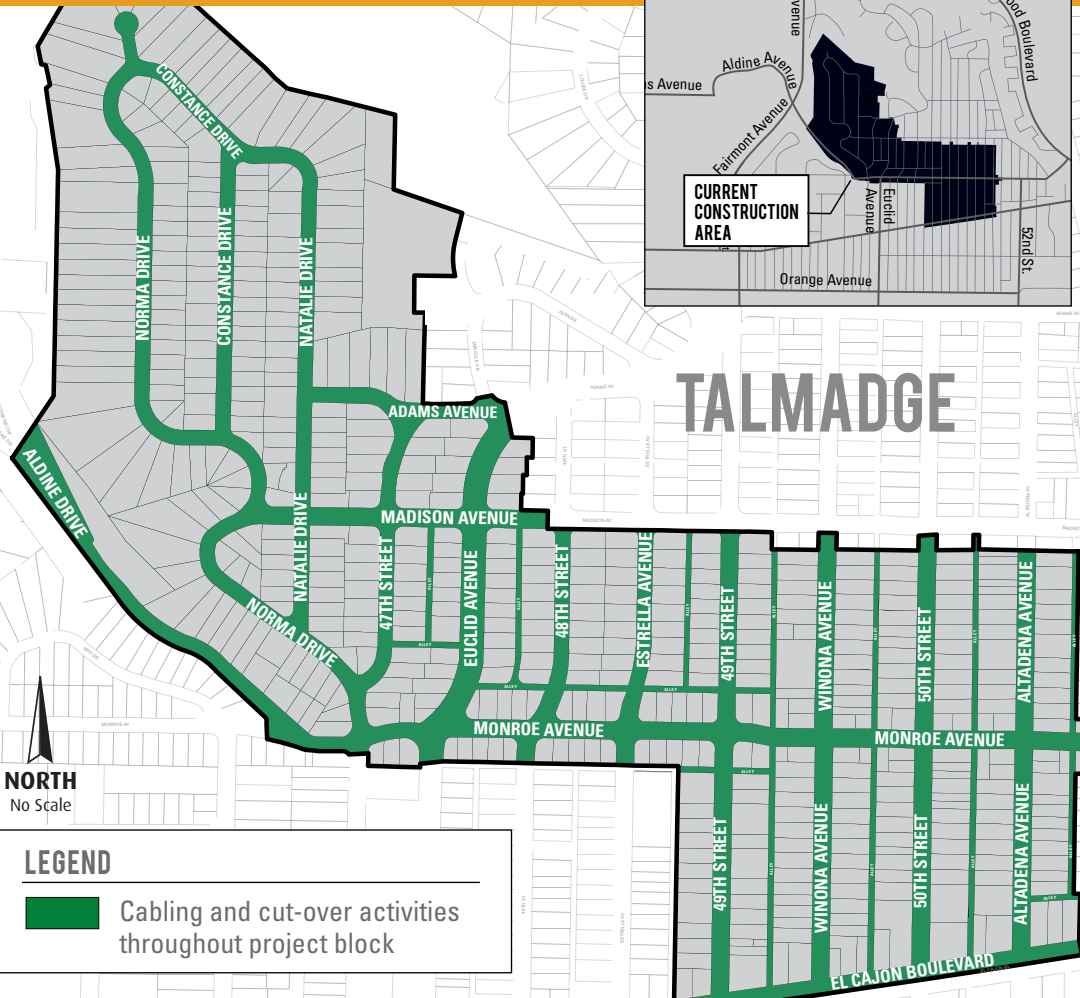
Beginning in the Spring 2011 decorative acorn lights will be installed on behalf of the Talmadge Maintenance Assessment District. In order to avoid any service disruptions, the overhead utility lines must remain in place while the acorn lights are being installed. The installation of the acorn lights will be completed during the Fall of 2011 and then overhead utility lines will be removed. This project is estimated to be completed by Winter 2012.

CURRENT CONSTRUCTION AREA: TALMADGE

VICINITY MAP: TALMADGE



TALMADGE



PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- 3.4 miles of utilities will be undergrounded
- 548 private residences will have their utilities undergrounded
- 29 curb ramps will be installed
- Streets will be resurfaced or slurry sealed curb-to-curb

CONSTRUCTION PHASES

- Construction start: Jan. 2009
- Panel and trench work: Completed
- Cabling, cut-overs and street lights: Feb. 2010 - Oct. 2011
- Overhead line removal: Fall 2011
- AT&T Services: Complete by January 2012
- Street resurfacing: 2012

PANEL AND TRENCHING ACTIVITIES

All panel and trenching work is complete. If you have any questions or concerns about the electrical or trenching work completed on your property, please do not hesitate to contact the contractor listed on the door hanger we left at your property.

CABLING AND CUT-OVER ACTIVITIES

The cabling portion of the project is now complete. Cabling involves technicians placing utility lines in the new conduits, so that the new lines can be "energized" and brought into service. Once the new system has been energized, the process to "cut-over" customers from overhead to underground services will begin.

SDG&E is 70% complete with cut-over work. We anticipate this process will move very swiftly and it's not nearly as disruptive or distracting as the trenching work, which is why you may not even see us working. A door hanger will be left prior to the contractor visiting your property.

Cox Communications is 100% complete with their cabling, cut-over and overhead line removal.

In February 2011, AT&T began work to complete their portion of the Utilities Undergrounding Program. **AT&T is 15% complete with their cabling, cut-over and overhead line removal activities.** They are scheduled to finish by the end of 2011. A completion month has not been set, but we will share one with you once it becomes available. Once SDG&E, Cox Communications and AT&T have completed removing their overhead lines, the utility poles will be removed by SDG&E and AT&T.



Crew members coordinate work activities while placing new utility lines.

CORRECTION NOTICES

Currently, there are 6 residences that need to make corrections to their services or properties in the 3EE Project Block. Most of these corrections will be minor and are the responsibility of the property owner. Corrections need to be complete before we can cut customers over to the new underground system. **Customers who are not cut-over to the new underground system risk loss of service when the overhead system is removed.**

If you need to make a correction to your property in order to pass final inspection, you will receive a door hanger or letter from a City of San Diego inspector. The door hanger and letter have a description of the correction needed. Most of these corrections will be minor. Please do not delay in contacting the inspector whose name and phone number appear on these notices, so that the problem can be resolved.

SAFETY

If you see anyone on your property that is not visibly wearing an identification badge, or if they are in a vehicle that is not marked with a contractor or utility company name, please call the Information Line at (619) 533-3841 or the San Diego Police Department. The construction crew must travel in marked vehicles and have proper identification at all times on the job site.

CONTACT US

In the event that you are not satisfied or pleased with the work that was done on your property or your street, please let us know. **Please do not attempt to make corrections, adjustments or improvements yourself.** We promise to work with you on reaching a solution or creating an outcome that meets your needs and ours in this process. We will not be able to switch your services to the new underground system if any modifications were done to our work. If you are unsure about the status of the work that has taken place on your property or your street, contact us at:

- Information Line (619) 533-3841
- Email undergrounding@sandiego.gov

UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM VIDEO

A video about the Utilities Undergrounding Program can be viewed by visiting our web site at www.sandiego.gov/undergrounding and clicking on video. By watching it, you can see all the processes associated with our work and gain a better understanding of what is involved in completing those processes.

We thank you in advance for your patience and support while we complete the Utilities Undergrounding Program project in the Talmadge community.